

**Environmental Justice Resources  
for the Duwamish Community  
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Environmental justice programs help ensure that all people, regardless of race, national origin or income, are protected from disproportionate impacts of environmental projects. The following list summarizes environmental justice resources available to the Duwamish community from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Washington State Department of Ecology.

**Washington State Department of Ecology**

**\$ Environmental Justice Coordinator:** John Ridgway, 360-407-6713, [jrid461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:jrid461@ecy.wa.gov)

**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

**\$ Environmental justice small grants** - Amounts are \$2,000 to \$15,000 for non-Superfund grants and up to \$20,000 for Superfund grants. The application period traditionally opens in October and closes in December.

Contact: Cecilia Contreras, 206-553-2899, [contreras.cecilia@epa.gov](mailto:contreras.cecilia@epa.gov)

**\$ Environmental justice training** - Training and speakers on environmental justice are available.

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Monica Kirk, 503-326-3269, [kirk.monica@epa.gov](mailto:kirk.monica@epa.gov)

**\$ Alternative dispute resolution** - This service is available to help communities resolve disputes. Contact: Monica Kirk, 503-326-3269, [kirk.monica@epa.gov](mailto:kirk.monica@epa.gov)

**\$ Public hearings** - EPA's Office of Civil Rights, Enforcement, and Environmental Justice may participate in public hearings that include environmental justice concerns.

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**\$ Environmental justice core group** - Members within all Seattle EPA offices answer environmental justice questions about the activities of their offices. A list of the members is available.

Contact: Office of Civil Rights, Enforcement, and Environmental Justice, 206-553-1250

**\$ Title VI Coordinator** - The Title VI law prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in all programs receiving federal funds (e.g., states, universities, and local government).

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**\$ Environmental justice mapping** - Environmental justice mapping is available through the EPA web site: <http://yosemite.epa.gov/r10/arcinfopu.nsf>

\$ **Environmental justice listening session** - EPA will hold a session in Seattle in June 2003 to listen to environmental justice concerns.

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\$ **National Environmental Justice Action Council (NEJAC)** - This 25-member council advises EPA on environmental justice. Members are from community-based organizations; business and industry; educational institutions; state, local, and tribal governments; non-governmental organizations; and environmental groups. A list of members is available. Contact: Office of Civil Rights, Enforcement, and Environmental Justice, 206-553-1250